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The English Channel Re-Borned Without an Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. EDITOR: The communication of Mr. Sargent, which I read in this morning's REPUBLICAN, on the question of the power of Congress to remove the seat of government from the District of Columbia is too brief to be exhaustive. The object of the meeting was to take into consideration the removal of the capital of the United States. The day was propitious—indeed, it was the day of Providence that suggested it for the occasion. The gilded sun of day arose in all its grandeur and radiance. To quote a Yankee poet:

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Heavens!—day as this was never seen. Fear not, though here be life!

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Thou art still young, and strong;

And soon the joyful time shall come

When these words shall call thee home;

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CHINESE PEOPLE.—God bless the cheerful person!—man, woman, or child, old or young, fat or thin, stout, bold, handsome, or homely. Over and above the natural beauty of man stands cheerfulness. What the sun is to nature, what God is to the stricken heart which knows how to lean upon him, are cheerfulness in man and the smile of the Holy One. They are ministerial, brightening up society around them with the happiness beaming from their faces. We love to see them, the tone of their voices, little children find them out, O so quickly! amid the densest crowd; and, passing by the knotted brow and compressed lip, glide near, and, carrying a confiding little hand on their knee, lift their clear young eyes to those loving faces.

The love of God, in the gift of His Son, was there such a display of love in Heaven or on earth. You can now find the love of God in every heart, and every soul can find among them the infinite power that will subdue the universe out of nothing. This will stand upon record to all eternity as the unpreceded, unparalleled, and unsurpassed love of the Holy One.

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The brevete Brigadier General Bulwer moved that the renowned soldier and statesman, Major General Peter Van Dusenbury, be called to present the petition of the Convention.

At a early hour the people, the "hong and shew" of this great country, com- menced to assemble. As train after train on the various railroads passing through the city arrived the shouts of the people rent the air "as of the sounding of many waters."

The immense building known as the "Chinese Museum" being incapable of holding the multitude, the organization of the convention took place in the ten-acre field of our distinguished friend and fellow-citizen, Hon. Enoch Jones, who graciously tendered his powers of land, will admit of too ready an answer.

The Constitution provides, among the powers of Congress—"To exercise exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever, over such District (not exceeding ten miles square) as may, by cession of particular States and the acceptance of Congress, become the seat of government for the United States"—and the sentence proceeds: "and to exercise like authority over all places purchased by the consent of the Legislature of the State in which the same shall be, for the erection of forts, magazines, arsenals, dock-yards, and other needful buildings."

It will not be disputed that if, instead of that "certain District," the States and bounds of the present District of Columbia and its name had been expressed, this provision of the Constitution would be the same in substance. The words "wherever" were employed are descriptive of this District, taking effect on it as soon as it was ascertained by Congress, the same as it had been ascertained before. The cession by the States and the acceptance of Congress are a compact anticipated by and now part of the Constitution of the United States, and this compact is as high and fundamental a dignity as those whereby States ratified and adopted the Constitution; the author of which by whom he was had rendered his country, he had enjoyed many proud and happy moments, but this was decidedly the most happy moment of his life.

The enlightened and patriotic char-

acters who so gracefully and impartially preside over this meeting of free, brave and intelligent citizens of the greatest republic on earth announced that the seat of Government would be removed from Washington to the "Shibboleth." It was gratified beyond measure at the unanimity with which it was received. Indeed, the profound weight which it had upon the minds of those who were to be called upon to provide over the deliberations of such an immense concourse of his friends and fellow-citizens.

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